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The Mountain Artillery Regiment in Razlog (June 1954)

1. The mountain artillery regiment, Podelenie 40-420, in Razlog is allegedly subordinate to 2 Bulgarian Army. This regiment is at present equipped with mule trains; however, a plan to motorize this unit is reportedly being studied at the present time.^{1,2}

Military Summer Camps (June 1954)

2. A motorized heavy artillery regiment, Podalenie 45-520, garrisoned in Sofia at the barracks known as "Fourth Kilometer Barracks" left for its summer camp in late May 1954.³ It is at present located between Slivnitsa (N 41-42, E 23-10), Sandanski (formerly Sveti Vrach) Okoliya, and Petrich.
3. The Troyan summer camp is occupied by artillery units which are allegedly of small size.
4. The Samokov summer camp is occupied by a unit of the MVR (Ministerstvo Vnutreshni Raboti; Ministry of Internal Affairs) troops equipped with 12 ZIS-3, Model 1942, and 12 Molotov trucks.

Maneuvers in the Stanke Dimitrov Area (6 June 1954)

5. On 6 June 1954, maneuvers involving infantry, artillery, and communications elements were being carried out several kilometers north of Stanke Dimitrov (formerly Dupnitsa). These maneuvers do not appear to have gone beyond regimental level.

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Recall of Reserves (1-4 June 1954)

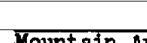
6. On 1 June 1954, large size recalls of reserves took place in Sofia. Several hundred recalled reserves, varying in age up to 40, reported to the Military School in Sofia on 1 and 2 June 1954. On 4 June 1954, a large portion of the trolleybus operators of Sofia were called up for a period of training. Most of these last were former members of the tank corps.

Class Call-Ups (25 May 1954)


7. On 25 May 1954, approximately 100 recruits were observed arriving at the barracks of Gorna Malina (N 42-41, E 23-43), Elin Pelin Okoliya.⁴

1.  Comment: The presence of elements from 2 Bulgarian Army at the southwestern frontier of Bulgaria has already been reported many times.


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2.  Comment: Latest available information indicates that the Mountain Artillery Regiment formerly at Razlog (and subordinate to 1 Army) was incorporated together with the 25 Infantry Regiment from Gara Pirin, into the Sandanski (formerly Sveti Vrach) Mountain Rifle Brigade.

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3.  Comment: Probably a reference to the 18 Howitzer Regiment.

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4.  Comment: This is a further call-up of the second increment of the 1934 Class.

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